

## **NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT**

Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

Citizens may comment on a draft permit for a facility to manage hazardous waste in Dahlgren, King George County, Virginia.

Public Comment Period: July 25, 2005 to September 8, 2005

Permit Name and Number: Permit for the thermal treatment of hazardous waste by open burning and open detonation; EPA ID Number: VA7170024684

Any person who engages in the treatment, storage or disposal of hazardous waste must submit an application for this permit to the Department of Environmental Quality.

Purpose of Notice: To invite the public to comment on the draft permit.

Permit Applicant: United States Navy

Facility Name and Location: Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren Site, Dahlgren, VA 22448

Project Description: The Dahlgren facility is involved in the thermal treatment of hazardous waste by open burning and open detonation. As a Navy research facility, Dahlgren generates excess ordnance and other energetic materials which exhibit the reactivity characteristic of a hazardous waste. These items either have no further military use or have been stressed to a point where they are no longer safe for transport. The material is thermally treated at the facility by either open burning or open detonation. The draft permit addresses both the open burning and open detonation grounds.

How a Decision is made: After public comments have been considered and the permit appropriately modified, DEQ will make the final decision.

Public Hearing: DEQ will conduct a Public Hearing on Wednesday, August 24, 2005 at 7:00 pm at the King George County Court House, Courtroom #1, 9483 Kings Highway, King George, Virginia 22485.

To review the Draft Permit, Fact Sheet and Application: The public may review the documents at the DEQ Northern Regional Office every work day by appointment. Copies of the permit documents are also available at DEQ Office of Waste Permitting, 629 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219 and L.E. Smoot Library, 9533 King Hwy, King George, VA 22485.

How to Comment: DEQ accepts comments by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may also write to the address below to be added to the facility mailing list.

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